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Gold King Mine Management Report - 08.12.2015.doc

Hello,

I was reading the attached report and noticed that the numbers of staff it mentions are higher than the numbers we have posted. Here is the relevant section of the report:

**NUMBER OF PERSONNEL INVOLVED:**

<b>Region/State</b>	<b>Current EPA Personnel In Field  (All venues other than EPA Offices)</b>	<b>Current EPA Contractor Personnel in the Field</b>	<b>EPA Personnel in REOC / HQEOC</b>	<b>Contractor Personnel in REOC / HQEOC</b>	<b>Total</b>
Region 8	24	17	11	2	<b>54</b>
Region 6	21	32	14	4	<b>71</b>
Region 9	2	7	2	0	<b>11</b>
HQ EOC	0	0	17	2	<b>19</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>155</b>

And here is what is currently posted on <http://www2.epa.gov/goldkingmine/roles-epa-and-other-responders-after-2015-gold-king-mine-release>:

**Staff Deployed**

•□□□□□□□ EPA has deployed ten On-Scene Coordinators in Silverton, Durango and Farmington, New Mexico. Water quality experts and several technicians and contractors

will respond to the discharge as it reaches communities in New Mexico.

- [REDACTED] Two Public Information Officers (PIOs) are also on site in Durango at the Joint Information Center (JIC).
- [REDACTED] In EPA's regional office in Denver, there are 21 employees and one contractor providing support services to the response.
- [REDACTED] Several incident management team positions are being deployed to Durango.
- [REDACTED] Two Community Involvement Coordinators (CICs) were deployed to Farmington on August 9 and will meet with local Navajo chapter officials and host public meetings. The CICs will also partner with Navajo Nation EPA (NNEPA) and Navajo Department of Public Safety to ensure comprehensive outreach to all affected Navajo chapters.
- [REDACTED] We have tapped into several contracting mechanisms to provide support for the response, which includes water quality sampling, drinking water and agricultural water distribution as well as construction and maintenance of the water treatment ponds.

It may be that the discrepancy is due to the different categories of personnel, but I thought it was worth flagging. Thank you!

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